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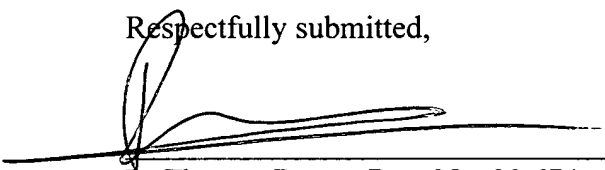
This amendment removes multiple dependent claims for calculating the application fee. The subject application and the International Application have common inventorship.

Examination of the claims, as amended, on the merits is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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